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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED MARCH 1, 1976.

BEGIN TEXT. QUOTE. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS MET IN WASHINGTON FEBRUARY 17 TO MARCH 1, 1976, TO RENEGOTIATE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THEIR TWO GOVERNMENTS CONCERNING FISHERIES IN THE MIDDLE ATLANTIC OCEAN OFF THE COAST OF THE UNITED STATES AND DISCUSS RELATED MATTERS. THE UNITED STATES WAS REPRESENTED BY AMBASSADOR ROZANNE L. RIDGWAY, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR OCEANS AND FISH-
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ERIES AFFAIRS. THE SOVIET UNION WAS REPRESENTED BY VLADIMIR

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M. KAMENTSEV, FIRST DEPUTY MINISTER OF FISHERIES OF THE USSR.

THE TWO REPRESENTATIVES SUCCEEDED IN COMPLETING NEGOTIATIONS ON A NEW AGREEMENT THAT WILL PROVIDE IMPROVED PROTECTION TO STOCKS OF FISH IN THE MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGION IN THE INTERESTS OF SOUND CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT AND BASED ON THE BEST AVAILABLE SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE. THE NEW AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED ON MARCH 1, 1976.

THE NEW AGREEMENT ALSO PROVIDES FOR AN EXPANDED JOINT

RESEARCH PROGRAM ON THE PRINCIPAL FISH STOCKS OF THE REGION. PROGRESS ON THESE STUDIES WILL BE REVIEWED LATER IN THE YEAR AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF AMERICAN AND SOVIET SCIENTISTS AND STATISTICAL SPECIALISTS.

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ANTICIPATED LEGAL AND JURISDICTIONAL CHANGES IN THE FIELD OF FISHERIES OFF THE COASTS OF THE UNITED STATES, AND THE NEED TO PROVIDE FOR AN ORDERLY TRANSITION TO THE FUTURE REGIME, BOTH SIDES AGREED TO MEET AT A CONVENIENT TIME FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING QUESTIONS OF MUTUAL INTEREST REGARDING THE PRINCIPLES THAT WILL APPLY TO THEIR FUTURE FISHERIES RELATIONS.

BOTH SIDES EXPRESSED THEIR SATISFACTION WITH THE NEW AGREEMENT AND THEIR INTEREST IN CONTINUED MUTUALLY BENE-FICIAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF FISHERIES. UNQUOTE.
END TEXT. INGERSOLL

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